

410 IAC 1-2.3-65 Encephalitis, arboviral; specific control measures

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Sec. 65. The specific control measures for arboviral encephalitis (California, eastern equine encephalitis, western equine encephalitis, Powassan encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, and dengue and dengue hemorrhagic fever) are as follows:

(1) An investigation by the local health officer shall be performed immediately for the purpose of identifying location and presence of vector mosquitoes. If applicable, the local health officer shall:

(A) obtain travel history prior to illness onset; and

(B) identify traveling companions who may have been exposed.

Active surveillance shall be instituted. The local health officer shall identify areas in the community where there is a need for vector control. Identification of cases in horses, birds, or humans provides evidence of virus presence and amplification in the community environment.

(2) Use contact precautions until enterovirus meningoencephalitis is eliminated from the list of possible diagnoses.

(3) Concurrent disinfection is not required.

(4) Quarantine is not required.

(5) Protection or immunization of contacts is not required for individuals. Fogging or spraying insecticides:

(A) has been effectively used to abort urban epidemics; and

(B) may be recommended by the department.

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